



**SENIOR CITIZENS ADVISORY COMMISSION
OLDER AMERICANS MONTH EVENT
May 26, 2021 ~ Zoom
Anchorage Senior Activity Center**

The Senior Citizens Advisory Commission celebrated Older Americans Month (OAM) on Wednesday, May 26, 2021, at the Anchorage Senior Activity Center (ASAC) in place of the regular business meeting. This was the first in-person event held at the ASAC since the beginning of the pandemic.

Mask and distancing protocols were observed for safety. The staff at the ASAC provided the technology to live stream the event via Zoom and Facebook. Fifteen people attended in person with an additional fifty joining electronically.

Clark Halverson, President/CEO of the United Way of Anchorage, provided the keynote address highlighting the theme, *Communities of Strength*.

One of the highlights of every OAM celebration is the presentation of the Ron Hammett Award for outstanding service to seniors and their families. Since the 2020 presentation was postponed due to Covid-19, this year we were able to recognize both Mary Shields, the 2020 award winner, and Gordon Glaser the 2021 honoree.